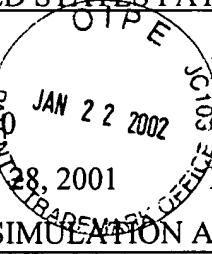


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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed October 1, 2001, said period of response being extended from December 1, 2001 to January 1, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.



Respectfully submitted,

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